

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) Bottom drain valve especially for enameled containers having a container wall provided with enameling of the chemical industry on which strict requirements are imposed with respect to resistance, cleanability, and functional reliability, with a flange part (2), consisting of a cylindrical section (2a), which can be inserted into a ring-shaped necked section (1) of the container to form the seat of the valve disk, and of a collar (2c) extending transversely to the cylindrical section, adapted to connect ~~by means of which~~ the flange part (2) ~~can be connected~~ to the container, wherein the flange part (2) has a conical taper (7) at the upper end, and ~~in that~~ a cylindrical sealing module (5) is inserted in the area of the ring-shaped necked section (1) between the flange part (2) and the enameling of the container wall, an the upper part of this sealing module being arranged to provide a seal between the conical taper and the ring-shaped necked section

and being provided with a reinforced, elastically/plastically deformable ring-shaped sealing area (5c).

2. (Previously presented) Bottom drain valve according to Claim 1, wherein the reinforcement of the sealing module (5) is formed by an elastically/plastically deformable, ring-shaped, replaceable sealing element (6), around which the thin-walled material at the free end is folded.

3. (Previously presented) Bottom drain valve according to Claim 1, wherein the reinforcement of the sealing module (5) in the area of the free end is formed by a corrugated terminal section (9).

4. (Currently Amended) Bottom drain valve according to Claim 1, wherein the sealing module (5) is made of Polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE).